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The Honorable Loretta Sanchez
H.R. 3293, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Plaque
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Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 3293, authorizing the placement of a plaque to memorialize those who died as a direct result from service in the Vietnam war, but perished after the war's end.

Thousands of individuals put their lives on the line to protect the freedoms we hold dear and save a nation desperately trying to hold on to those freedoms.

We have recognized the sacrifice of those who died on the battlefield, but have yet to fully recognize those who perished afterwards.

This bill would honor those who died after the conflict, as a direct result of wartime service, by placing a small plaque near the Vietnam Memorial.

The plaque, funded by private donations, would recognize this entire group of courageous individuals for their service to this country.

After 25 years since the fall of Saigon, isn't it time to finally recognize everyone who has made the ultimate sacrifice serving our country in Southeast Asia?